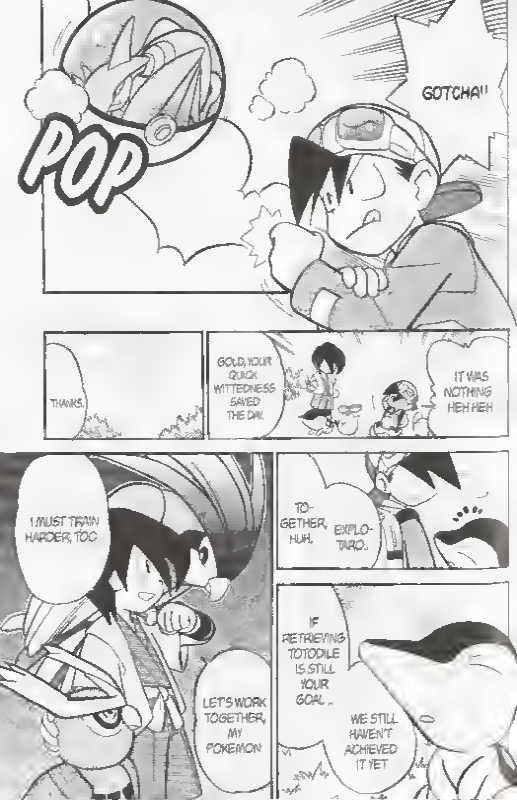
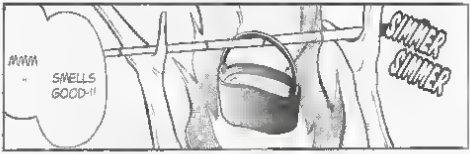
HERE WE NEED SWAMPERT'S JUMPING PROWESS...
GO! DIGLETT, GO! DIGLETT!
PONG
WHOA!?
I KNOW...! TO TRANSPORT CHICKOUIL SKY-HIGH!
CAW-CAAAW
NOW! EXPLO-TARD!!
PONG
ROAR
EMBER ATTACK, FIRE AWAY!!
NOW'S MY TURN!


POP
GOTCHA!!
THANKS.
GOLD, YOUR QUICK WITTEDNESS SAVED THE DAY.
IT WAS NOTHING! HEH HEH
I MUST TRAIN HARDER, TOO.
LET'S WORK TOGETHER, MY POKEMON
TO-GETHER, HUH.
EXPLO-TARO.
IF RETRIEVING TOTODILE IS STILL YOUR GOAL...
WE STILL HAVEN'T ACHIEVED IT YET

BUT WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO STICK WITH ME FOR THE MOMENT?
QUIL!
HOW ABOUT SOME INTENSIVE TRAINING WITH ME HERE THEN GOLD?
INTENSIVE ?
WITH SUCH GOOD BATTLE SENSE, THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU SHOULDN'T POLISH YOUR SKILLS FURTHER.
YEAH, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT
NOW MAY BE THE BEST TIME TO TRAIN.
BUT..
I CAN'T SETTLE DOWN UNTIL THEN..
..THERE'S STILL SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO FIRST

I SEE.
WELL, WE ALL HAVE OUR OWN DREAMS OR GOALS TO PURSUE...
...WHETHER YOU ACHIEVE IT OR NOT DEPENDS ON YOU. SO LET'S AIM FOR THEM ALL THE WAY!
THANKS, FALKNER.
SEE YOU AGAIN!
HEY, ISN'T THAT POKEDEX...
HUH?
I MUSTN'T GET DISTRACTED! GOTTA HURRY TO FALKNER'S PLACE AND PASS THIS TO HIM!
GYM LEADER INAUGURATION EXAMINATION NOTIFICATION
MR. FALKNER
HE'D BE ECSTATIC TO KNOW THAT THE DATE OF THE EXAMINATION HAS BEEN DECIDED
AH...

HELLO, PROFESSOR ELM!?
I HAVE JUST REACHED VIOLET CITY...
BUT I DID NOT MANAGE TO FIND GOLD.
OH I SEE
I'VE ALSO TRIED CALLING HIS POKÉGEAR, BUT NO ONE ANSWERED.
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER IF THE POKÉMON TRANSPORTER WAS WORKING.
PROFESSOR, I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU... ARE YOU SURE IT'S OKAY TO PASS SOMETHING SO IMPORTANT... ...TO SOMEONE AS RECKLESS AS GOLD!?
HMM... ACCORDING TO MY RESEARCH IN ORDER FOR IT TO HATCH...
...IT IS BEST THAT IT HANGS AROUND OTHER POKÉMON...
THERE'S BEEN NO REACTION WHEN IT WAS IN THE RESEARCH CENTER.
AND THAT'S WHY YOU WANT GOLD TO HAVE THIS?
PRECISELY YOU MUST FIND GOLD.
...AND PASS THE EGG TO HIM!


MMM
SMELLS GOOD~!!
SIMMER SIMMER

SCOOP
LET'S SEE...
SLURP SLURP
HMM...I THINK WE NEED TO COOK IT A LITTLE BIT MORE EXPLOTARO STRONGER FIRE PLEASE.

FWOOSH
WHOA!!
PSSPSSS

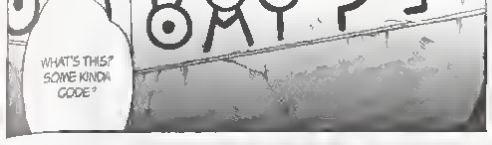
YAWN.. THERE GOES OUR LUNCH..
..AND WE STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHERE THAT PELLA AND POLIWAG ARE
AND WHERE ON EARTH ARE WE ANYWAY?

CHAPTER 100
FIGHTING SYMBOLS, UNOWN
RUINS..? MORE LIKE SOME DIRTY ROCKS PACKED TOGETHER IF YOU ASK ME..
SSHH SSHH
...HUH?
WOW! WHAT A CUTE GAL!

HUH?
HI THERE, MISS
EH..?
ISN'T IT LONELY TO DO SIGHT SEEING BY YOUR SELF?
GLEAM
WANNA GO FOR A CUP OF TEA TOGETHER?
WELL
THE NAME'S GOLD. I'M FROM NEW BARK TOWN.
I.. I'M BUGSY FROM AZALEA TOWN...
...AND WELL.. I'M A GUY...
GLOMP
OH!! I KNEW THAT!
SWEAT
THERE'S ANOTHER THING
I'M REALLY NOT HERE TO SIGHTSEE I'M ACTUALLY SEARCHING FOR MY MISSING COMPANIONS
MISSING COMPANIONS?
YES. YOU SEE, I'M A MEMBER OF THE RELIC EXPEDITION IN THE JOHTO AREA.
MY COMPANIONS WERE CHECKING OUT THIS PLACE..
...BUT WE LOST CONTACT ALL OF A SUDDEN

AND WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE GOLD?
WELL IT'S SORTA THE SAME THING
I'M HERE TO LOOK FOR A MISSING POKEMON TOO
MISSING!?
STUNNED
COULD SOME BAD GUYS HAVE STOLEN IT!?
I DOUBT IT IN FACT, I WASN'T EVEN AWARE WHEN IT WENT MISSING
OH..
THERE ARE REPORTS OF MISSING POKEMON IN THIS PLACE CALLED THE FAMOUS FISHING ZONE.
FAMOUS FISHING ZONE...?
TMP TMP
LISTEN!
ATARO, WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU HEAR SOMETHING FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WALL?
WOO WOO
OKAY, EXPLOTARO
AH! WAIT! STOP!

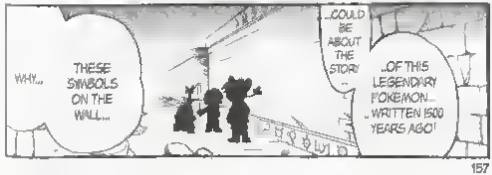
ROARR
BURN THROUGH THAT WALL!
WHOA! STOP IT, GOLD! YOU'LL RUIN JOHTO'S HISTORICAL SITE!!
BUT I ALSO HEARD VOICES FROM THE OTHER SIDE! IT COULD BE YOUR COMPANIONS!
LOOK!
WE'RE THROUGH!!
GARAGARAGA
YEAAAH!!
SIGH...
NOW WHAT...
LEAP
THIS IS...
IT'S TOO DARK! I CAN'T SEE...
HUH


WHAT'S THIS? SOME KINDA CODE?

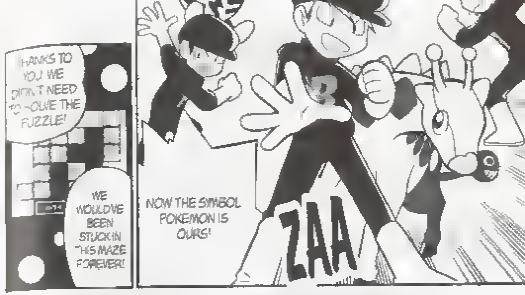
THIS IS...!
AH! I DIDN'T EXPECT IT TO BE HIDDEN HERE...
HEY-HEY HEY! DON'T JUST TALK TO YOURSELF! DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?

THIS PLACE IS A VERY IMPORTANT HISTORICAL RUIN THAT HAS BEEN AROUND FOR 1500 YEARS

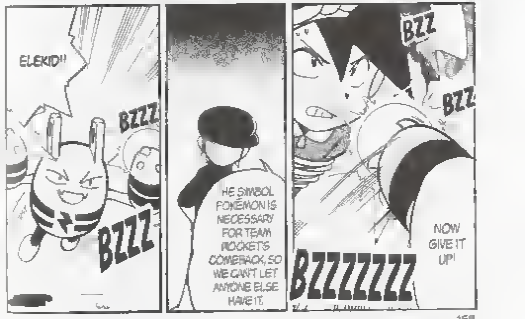
THERE'S A BELIEF THAT A TYPE OF POKÉMON CALLED THE SYMBOL POKÉMON EXISTED HERE.
...BUT NOBODY HAS EVER SEEN IT BEFORE.
SYMBOL POKÉMON !?


WHY...
THESE SYMBOLS ON THE WALL...
...COULD BE ABOUT THE STORY...
...OF THIS LEGENDARY POKÉMON... ...WRITTEN 1500 YEARS AGO!

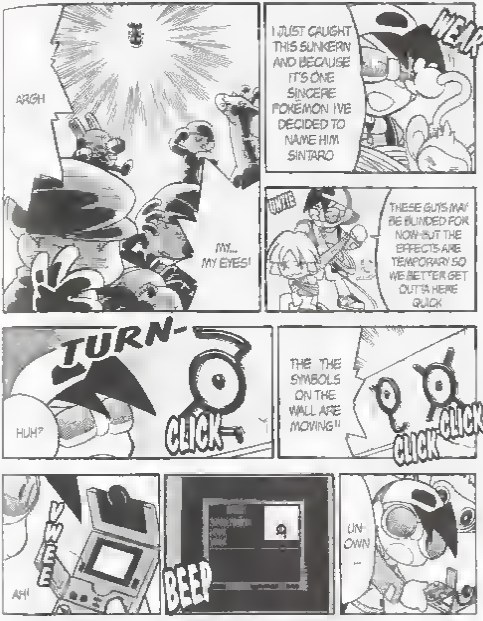
THIS MAY BE PROOF THAT MANKIND COEXISTED WITH POKÉMON EVEN BACK THEN!
AND I DISCOVERED IT...!
WELL, I KNOW THIS AMAZES YOU...
...BUT ISN'T IT MORE IMPORTANT TO LOOK FOR YOUR COMPANION'S FIRST?
YOU'RE RIGHT. I'M SORRY.
THERE'S A PASSAGE WAY THERE!
THE VOICES MUST HAVE COME FROM OVER THERE!
SNEAK
SHWRRRRIP!!
WE MUST THANK YOU FOR BREAKING DOWN THE WALL, KID.
WHO'S THERE!
GRAB
HUH, ARGH!!!
WHAT THE!?


THANKS TO YOU WE DIDN'T NEED TO SOLVE THE PUZZLE!
WE WOULD'VE BEEN STUCK IN THIS MAZE FOREVER!
NOW THE SYMBOL POKEMON IS OURS!
ZAA

EXPLO-TARO!
DON'T BOTHER TRYING! THERE'S NO WAY IT CAN PRODUCE FLAME WHEN IT IS TIED UP LIKE THAT!
STRUGGLE...


ELEKID!
BZZZ
BZZZ
HE SYMBOL POKEMON IS NECESSARY FOR TEAM ROCKET'S COMEBACK, SO WE CAN'T LET ANYONE ELSE HAVE IT.
BZZ
BZZ
BZZZZZZZ
NOW GIVE IT UP!

GUESS...I HAVE NO CHOICE .. BUT TO ADMIT DEFEAT..
BZZZ BZZZ
BZZZBZZZ
TADAH!
BUT FIRST!!
HE!!
PONG
KYIIIIINN
SINTARO, BLIND THEM WITH YOUR FLASH ATTACK!!
FLASH


ARGH
MY... MY EYES!
I JUST CAUGHT THIS SUNKERN AND BECAUSE IT'S ONE SINCERE POKEMON I'VE DECIDED TO NAME HIM SINTARO
HEH
WHAT
THESE GUYS MAY BE BLINDED FOR NOW BUT THE EFFECTS ARE TEMPORARY SO WE BETTER GET OUT'TA HERE QUICK
TURN-
CLICK
HUH?
THE THE SYMBOLS ON THE WALL ARE MOVING!!
CLICK-CLICK
WEE
AAH
BEEP
UN-OWN...
BUGS, IT SEEMS THAT YOU AND THE BAD GUYS HAVE MISUNDERSTOOD THESE SYMBOLS...
CLICK CLICK...
THESE SYMBOLS ARE NOT EXPLANATIONS OF THE SINBOL POKEMON

...THEY ARE THE SYMBOL POKEMON !!
WHOOSH
THE LIGHT MUST'VE AWAKENED THEM
WHOOSH
SWOOSH
I... THINK...
WE'D BETTER RUN FOR IT-!!
WHOOOOOSH